[President.]

and answering of questions and I hope that every effort will be made on the part of the Government Officers who have not sent up their answers to be as prompt as circumstances might permit.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS.

THE TRAVANCORE SURVEY AND BOUNDARIES REGULATION (AMENDMENT) BILL.

Mr. Kayalam Paramesvaran Pillai: (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Sir, I present the Report of the Select Committee on the Travancore Survey and Boundaries Regulation (Amendment) Bill and beg to move that the Bill as reported by the Committee be taken into consideration.

Mr. C. O. Madhavan: I second it.

President: Moved and seconded that the Report of the Select Committee on the Travancore Survey and Boundaries Regulation (Amendment) Bill be taken up for consideration.

The motion was carried.

Clauses I and II.

President: The question is whether Clauses I and II do form part of the Bill.

The motion was carried and Clauses I and II were added to the Bill.

Preamble.

President: The question is whether the Preamble be added to the Bill.

The motion was carried and the Preamble was added to the Bill.

Title of the Bill.

President: The question is whether the title shall be added to the Bill.

The motion was carried and the title was added to the Bill.

Mr. Kayalam Paramesvaran Pillai: I now proceed to the third reading of the Bill. Before making the motion for the passing of the Bill, I beg to move a formal amendment in regard to the short title of the Bill. I move that in Clause I, sub-clause (1.) line 2, for the figure 110 the figures 1110 be substituted.

Mr. C. O. Madhavan: I second it.

President: Moved and seconded that in Clause I, sub clause (1), line 2, the figure 110 be altered into 1110.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Kayalam Paramesvaran Pillai: I move that the Bill as now amended by the House be passed.

Mr. C. O. Madhavan: I second it.

President: Moved and seconded that the Travancore Survey and Boundaries Regulation (Amendment) Bill as amended by the House be passed.

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The Bill was passed,

THE TRAVANCORE COMPANIES REGULATION (AMENDMENT) BILL.

Mr. Kayalam Paramesvaran Pillai: Sir, I move that the Travancore Companies Regulation (Amendment) Bill, as passed by the Sri Mulam Assembly, be taken up for consideration.

Mr. C. O. Madhavan: I second it.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: I rise to a point of order. I wish to know whether the Rule 38 is going to be suspended or not. We got notice of this Bill only yesterday and so we were not able to send up amendments.

Mr. Kayalam Paramesvaran Pillai: Sir, the real position is this. Five days' notice of this motion was given by Mr. Joseph Panjikaran who was then a member of the Council. He has since resigned and I have given notice of the very same motion two days ago. The motions given notice by Mr. Panjikaran and myself are quite identical so that as a matter of fact the members has had five days' notice of this motion though the rules require only three days' notice. Any merely technical defect may be rectified by you, Sir, by giving me leave to make the motion.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: Sir, I have to submit that the interpretation given by the Law Member is not correct. When for instance a particular member sends up amendments to a Bill and notice of the same is given to the other members that notice cannot be availed of by another member who wishes to move the identical amendments, when the member who sent up the original amendments refuses or is not prepared to move them. That is not the notice contemplated under the Rules.

President: The question that the Chair has to consider under these circumstances is whether the House has been prejudiced by the absence of proper notice. It has been contended and admitted that *a notice* was given to the members five days ago. Therefore the House had ample information that this motion was going to be taken up to-day. The circumstances that a member who sent the notice is not to-day before the House for the purpose of making the motion could not alter the duties of the members who could have sent in amendments the moment they got notice of the motion. They could not have anticipated until to-day that another member was going to make that motion. A regular notice was given and it was in order. If members wanted to send in amendments they had to take action on the original motion. That does not alter the position, nor has it put the House in any embarrassing position. In view of that fact I should say that I am not exercising my duties wrongly when I allow the Law Member to make his motion. Even if there is a technical objection I am prepared to waive it.

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